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REFERENCE YOUR TWX 26/01457 DR. ROBERT COMARD HAS STATED THAT RONGELAP ISLAND WAS READING FOUR MILLIROENTGENS, AT THE TIME OF HIS RESURVEY IN HAY PD I HAVE ALSO HEARD VALUES IN THIS RANGE PD THIS LEVEL IS SUBSTANTIALLY HIGHER THAN LAST FALL PD WHAT IS YOUR OPINION AS TO SOURCE OF INCREASED ACTIVITY QUESTION WE STILL NEED UNEQUIVOCAL DATA ON RADIATION LEVELS FOR RONGELAP ATOLI, THAT MAY BE CHOTED PUBLICLY END REWR:GMD

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